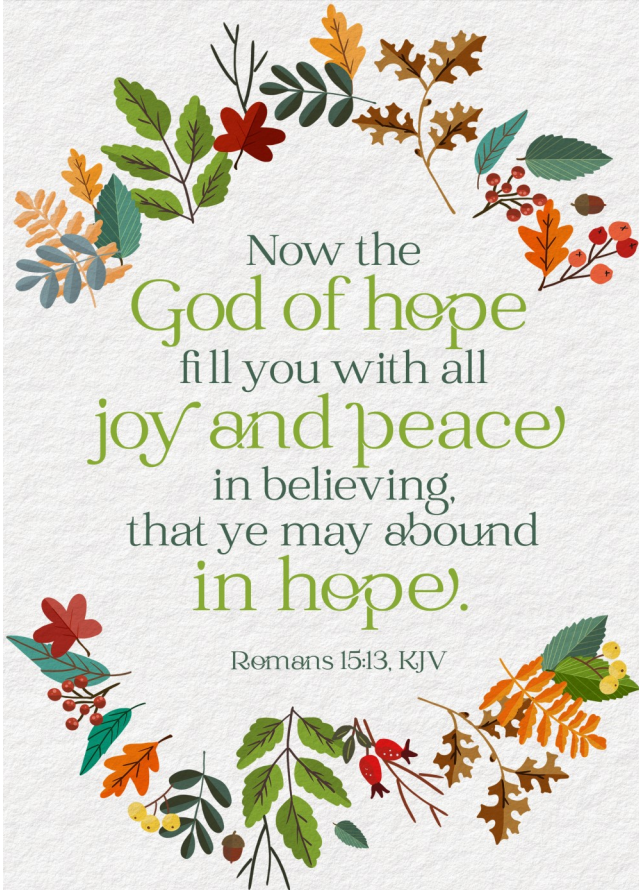


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El Paso Cooling centers M-Thursdays
9-9pm, Friday-Sat 9-8pm, Sunday 11-8pm,

- Galatzen Recreation ctr ,
650 Wallenberg,
 - Marty Robbins, 11620 Vista del Sol,
 - Chalio Acosta Sports Center,
4321 Delta,
 - Valle Bajo Community Center,
7380 Alameda,
 - Agua Dulce Community Ctr,
15371 Kentwood Ave, Horizon City, Tx
79928 , 9-6pm M-Sunday
- Libraries 10-6pm, Sat ,T-Thus 10-7pm,
Fri 1-7pm

Family Story time is suspended
until January at the earliest.
Call Teri if you have
questions 915-637-0351.

Please contact the Care Group leaders
and indicate your participation.

1st Sun Teri and Mike Dove, 915-822-2419

**1st Sun will meet January at the earliest, call
Mike if you have questions.**

2nd Sun Jan and Ray Rivera, 915-915-592-8930

3rd Sun Susie and Junie Chavez, 915-274-3098

4th Sun Need Volunteer

5th Sun Congregational Potluck

Congregational Meeting

The elders have planned a meeting for all
Eastwood members on Sunday,
September 10. Lunch will be provided at the
morning assemble and all members are
encouraged to attend. We will discuss our
future as a congregation and how we can
reach our community with Good News. Mark
your calendar and Start thinking of ideas to
share and discuss in this important meeting.



Men to Serve
Sunday, August 13

Song Leader:
Phillip Apotchie

Opening Prayer:
Enrique Carrillo Spanish
Ron Lindsey English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Sam Hooper

Scripture Reading:
Venson Oliver Jr

Together

“A kindhearted woman gains respect, but ruthless men gain only wealth. A kind man benefits himself, but a cruel man brings himself harm.” Proverbs 11:16-17

Kindness is always appreciated when it is directed toward us. If it is an encouraging word or an unexpected gift it is pleasing because it is appreciated and because it is unexpected. Be Thankful for every act of kindness.

Our God encourages us to be kind to others, not just to expect it from them. It is good to be treated kindly, but are we doing the same. Some may fantasize about the good and kind things they would do if they suddenly received a billion dollars. But, what are we doing with what we have. Kind words and respect toward others does not require money, not even a little bit.

The apostle Paul speaks to this in 1 Cor 13 when he describes love (agape). It is an action: patient, kind, not envy, not boast, not proud, not rude, not self-seeking, not easily angered, keeps no record of wrongs, does not enjoy evil, but rejoices with truth. Protects, trusts, hopes, perseveres. None of these require wealth.

There are at least two expressions which will help us be kind: “Benefit of the doubt” and “Don’t jump to conclusions.”

While the evil in this world requires us to be on guard for potential danger, it does not mean we must suspect that family, friends and acquaintances are always plotting to take advantage of us or our family. Give the benefit of believing they have good intentions, expect the best not the worst.

More importantly, be your best in every situation. While it is easy to expect the best from others, it is more difficult to always be our best. When we are kind toward others, it is easier for them to accept us when we fail to reach our best. Seek to be kind and to always do your best.

Most of us hope to be loved and respected which means we should live in such a way that it comes naturally from others.

Charles M. Clodfelter

Did you speak to our Guests on Sunday? Look for them.
www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org

Schedule Services

Sunday

Bible Class - 9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M.
Children’s Class 9:00A.M.

Wednesday

Bible study 7:00pm
Children’s hour
after communion

Our Ladies Tuesday Class Lesson, 10am will be about “Joy In the Morning.”

Thank you Teri Dove 915-822-2419

Care Group

Aug 27 Need Volunteer

Happy Birthday

Aug 4, Fannie Shearod,
Aug 10, Juan Najera,
Aug 10, Gricelda Wade,
Aug 21, Ashley Williams,
Aug 24, Tonie Porras,
Aug 27, Virginia Najera, Aug 31, Betty Lewis



Happy Anniversary

Aug 8, James & Julie Conyers
Aug 22, Israel & Tonie Porras
Aug 27, Junie & Susie Chavez
Aug 30, Vic & Sharon Armendariz



Do not be conformed to this world **but be transformed by, the renewal of your mind**, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God
Romans 12:2



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Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: A Kingdom Torn in Two
Scripture: 1 Kgs 11:42—12:5

STAGES OF GRIEF

Kubler-Ross published the Five Stages of Grief as the process which terminally ill patients went through when told of their imminent death. Soon it was applied to grieving family and friends. It can be applied to other types of loss as well: divorce, addiction, just about anything that hurts. The acronym DABA stands for the stages.

DENIAL - This can't be happening to me. This is like a period of shock. We see a tragic event unfolding before our eyes, but it does not seem real – but it is.

ANGER - Typically directed anyone and everyone because what is happening is not fair. Even Christians, who know better, will ask: “Why did God do this?”

BARGAINING - Accustomed to solving problems, mankind seeks for a solution. Occasionally with the doctor, usually with God – What if ...?

DEPRESSION - A sadness from which there is no escape. Making yourself smile or telling lots of jokes, even visiting an amusement park doesn't help.

ACCEPTANCE - There is no time frame for reaching this phase. Faith in God helps us handle all kinds of

loss, even those for which we are responsible. It is the recognition of what has happened, but setting the course to continue on with life.

Jesus knew he was going to die. As it drew nigh, he even prayed for an escape, when denied, he faced his destiny. Your most dear loved one would not wish for their loved ones to spend the rest of life in grief, but to carry on the love and share it. A lost job, a broken marriage, or a physical disability, all bring pain, but with God's help you can continue.

Everyone will experience grief during their lifetime. The challenge is to not be overcome by the loss. Each one probably knows a person who will not get over a great loss. They often live in anger and depression with seemingly a drive to pull others into their sadness.

They don't lose friends, but they drive them away with their incessant and often explosive “you don't understand” attitude. Lean on your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. This world is not our home.

Charles M. Clodfelter

Our deepest sympathies to Romelia Ramon and family for the death her beloved husband Rudy who passed away August 6. Prayers for comfort and peace for you in the midst of your pain. May the peace of Jesus bring solace to your sorrows. Funeral Arrangements are being made. Send cards to 7529 Yuma, El Paso, TX 79915



The following items serve as “little guideposts on the footpath to peace,” according to author and pastor Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933):

- to be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars;
- to be satisfied with your possessions but not content with yourself until you have made the best of them;
- to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice;
- to covet nothing of your neighbor's except [their] kindness of heart and gentleness of manners;
- to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends and every day of Christ;
- to spend as much time as you can with body and with spirit in God's out-of-doors.



Christian Schools of El Paso

Please don't forget to bring your unneeded clothes, shoes, blankets and coats to the Big Blue Donation box in the CSEP parking lot. The clothes go to those in need. CSEP benefits from your generosity!

915-593-5011



Recycle - Remember to save your aluminum cans and other aluminum for recycling. You may bring them in the foyer or toss your bag into the fenced compound to the trailer. If you crush the cans, we can get more in the trailer. We usually get several hundred dollars when the trailer is taken into the recycler

Elders

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Abel Hernandez - (915) 449-1546
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Venson Oliver, Lorenzo Porras, Bob Walker,

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In Our Prayers

OUR FAMILY

Enrique Carrillo - Prayers for tooth and jaw bone surgery

Alberto Morales - Prayers for no dizziness & better sugar Level. Need to go to otolaryngologist and cardiologist..

Lulu Ochoa - Prayers for cancer treatment.

Venson Oliver - Keep Venson in your prayers for his deployment..

Bob Pechanec - Thank you for prayers. Bob Is home from hospital. Prayers for good recovery....

Bob & Gina Walker - Thank you for Prayers, tumor is gone....Continue to have Bob in your prayers....

SHUT-INS

Mike Baron - Is on dialysis, prayers

Teresa Dalke - Prayers for stronger immune system

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

Rudy Ramon--prayers for health issues..

Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Luis Juarez - (Tracy Denis Dad, Maria De La Rosa friend) Is on dialysis, not doing well. please have him in your Prayers....

Maria Montanez - (ESL student) Her breast cancer operation was a success she is resting at home. Prayers for swift healing..

Emily Morales- (Alberto & Cristina Morales niece) Prayers for swift healing from gallbladder operation July14....

Richard Ortega—(James Grant Uncle) recently diagnosed with cancer....

Maria Salazar - (Our Community Neighbor) Maria is asking for prayers. She has been diagnosed with cancer....

Please remember in prayers the military & policeman in harms way. Please call the office to update our prayer list. Names not updated 4 weeks will be dropped.

Our Records

August 6, 2023

Morning Worship – 81

Wednesday - 15

Regular Offering: \$2799.00

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Week

Baptisms - 0

Identification - 0

Year to Date

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